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SUBJECT: ANTITRUST: MONOPOLIES AND MERGERS COMMISSION
TO INVESTIGATE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY METERS

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH OECD RECOMMENDATION ON NOTIFICATIONS OF PROPOSED ACTION AGAINST RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES, OFFICE OF FAIR TRADING (OFT) INFORMED EMBASSY APRIL 5 THAT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FAIR TRADING ASKED THE MONOPOLIES AND MERGERS COMMISSION ON MARCH 30 TO INVESTIGATE THE SUPPLY IN AND EXPORT FROM THE UK OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY METERS. COMMISSION HAS BEEN ASKED TO REPORT WITHIN 18 MONTHS.

2. SALES OF METERS IN UK ARE ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY TO AREA ELECTRICITY BOARDS. ANNUAL PRODUCTION IS WORTH ABOUT 15 MILLION POUNDS, APPROXIMATELY A THIRD OF WHICH IS EXPORTED. THERE ARE FOUR PRINCIPAL MANUFACTURERS: FERRANTI, LIMITED; GEC MEASUREMENTS, LIMITED; LANDIS & GYR, LIMITED; AND SANGAMO WESTON, LIMITED. THE LATTER IS A SUBSIDIARY OF SANGAMO ELECTRICAL COMPANY OF ILLINOIS.

3. COPIES OF DIRECTOR GENERAL'S REFERENCE LETTER AND
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